

What is claimed:

1. Biaxially oriented polymeric films comprising a core layer of a voided propylene homopolymer having a density of not more than 0.70 g/cm^3 , and at least one substantially non-voided layer on each surface of the core layer, the ratio of the combined thicknesses of the non-voided layers on the respective surfaces of the core layer being from 2:1 to 1:1.
2. Films according to claim 1, wherein the density of the voided layer is not more than 0.60 g/cm^3 .
3. Films according to claim 2, wherein the density of the voided layer is not more than 0.55 g/cm^3 .
4. Films according to claim 3, wherein the density of the voided layer is not more than 0.50 g/cm^3 .
5. Films according to claim 4, wherein the density of the voided layer is not more than 0.48 g/cm^3 .
6. Films according to claim 1, wherein the ratio of the combined thicknesses of the non-voided layers on the respective surfaces of the core layer is from 1.8:1 to 1:1.
7. Films according to claim 6, wherein the ratio of the combined thicknesses of the non-voided layers on the respective surfaces of the core layer is from 1.6:1 to 1:1.
8. Films according to claim 7, wherein the ratio of the combined thicknesses of the non-voided layers on the respective surfaces of the core layer is from 1.5:1 to 1:1.
9. Films according to claim 8, wherein the ratio of the combined thicknesses of the non-voided layers on the respective surfaces of the core layer is from 1.2:1 to 1:1.

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10. Films according to claim 1, wherein the at least one non-voided layer on the voided core layer comprises a polyolefin.

11. Films according to claim 1, wherein an outer surface has printing thereon.

12. Films according to claim 1, having a curl of substantially zero in both the machine and transverse directions as assessed by the method described herein.

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